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Title : Method and Apparatus for Measuring The Lifetime of an  
Excited State in a Specimen

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in  
response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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